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SUBJECT: IAEA CONSULTANT'S MEETING ON EXTRAPOLATION
OF NUCLEAR POWER PLANT CAPITAL COST EXPERIENCE IN INDUSTRIALIZED
COUNTRIES TO CONDITIONS EXISTING OR EXPECTED IN
INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, VIENNA, DECEMBER 2-6, 1974

1. MISSION HAS RECEIVED AGENCY LETTER NOTING PLAN
TO HOLD SUBJECT SMALL CONSULTANT'S MEETING, PRIMARILY
TO DISCUSS WITH PERSONS KNOWLEDGEABLE IN FIELD AGENCY
METHODOLOGY IN ADJUSTING MODELS AND DATA USED IN
CONNECTION ORCOST AND CONCEPT COMPUTERCODES (MADE
AVAILABLE BY ORNL FOR USE IN CONNECTION MARKET SURVEY
AND INDIVIDUAL COUNTRY NUCLEAR POWER PLANNING STUDIES)
TO MATCH CONDITIONS IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES STUDIES,
AND TO REQUEST ADVICE OF CONSULTANTS ON POSSIBLE
CHANGES AND IMPROVEMENTS.

2. BECAUSE OF THEIR INTIMATE KNOWLEDGE OF AND EXPERIENCE
WITH ORCOST AND CONCEPT, AGENCY WOULD LIKE TO HAVE ONE
CONSULTANT FROM ORNL (IF POSSIBLE L.L. BENNETT OR H.I.
BOWERS), AND ONE FROM UNITED ENGINEERS AND CONSTRUCTORS
(IF POSSIBLE JOHN CROWLEY WHO PREPARED COST DATA FOR ORNL),
TO PARTICIPATE IN SUBJECT MEETING. IN ADDITION, AGENCY
ANTICIPATES INVITING TWO OTHER CONSULTANTS, PROBABLY ONE
FROM CANADA AND ONE FROM FRG.

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3. AGENCY WILL OFFER ECONOMY-CLASS ROUND-TRIP AIR TRANSPORT

FOR CONSULTANT'S TRAVEL TO AND FROM VIENNA AND PER DIEM
OF \$45 PER NIGHT FOR UP TO SIX NIGHTS IN VIENNA.

4. IN ADDITION TO SUBJECT MATTER DISCUSSED PARA 1,
AND WITH SECOND PRIORITY, AGENCY WOULD ALSO LIKE TO
REQUEST CONSULTANT'S ADVICE ON POSSIBILITY AND
PRACTICABILITY OF INCLUDING HEAVY-WATER NUCLEAR POWER
PLANTS IN ORCOST AND CONCEPT. AGENCY FEELS THIS WOULD
REQUIRE CONSIDERABLE EFFORT, AND THAT AGENCY WOULD MOST
LIKELY REQUIRE ASSISTANCE OF ORNL AND UE&C, WITH
COLLABORATION OF CANADA AND/OR UK. AGENCY HAS REQUESTED
ADVICE AT THIS TIME OF WHETHER, FROM US POINT OF VIEW,
IT WOULD BE FEASIBLE TO CONSIDER SUCH ADDITION TO
ORCOST AND CONCEPT. REQUEST AEC GUIDANCE FOR RESPONSE
TO AGENCY ON LATTER POINT.

5. REQUEST AEC DETERMINE AVAILABILITY OF REQUESTED
CONSULTANTS FOR PERIOD AND UNDER CONDITIONS SUGGESTED
FOR MEETING. IF NECESSARY, AGENCY IS PREPARED CONSIDER
AS ALTERNATIVE HOLDING MEETING DURING WEEK OF DECEMBER 9-13.

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